

THANKSGIVING DAY.

Appropriately Observed at Princess Anne.—A Thoroughly Industrial School.

Princess Anne, Md., Special—Thanksgiving was sacredly observed here. A praise meeting was held at both politan M. E. Churchbgkqjrdlugkqjji churches in the morning. At the Metropolitan M. E. Church both the pastor and Prof. F. Frigg, A. M. principal of the Princess Anne Academy, gave most excellent talks on the origin of the day. In the evening the churches gave concerts bearing on the day, which attracted large crowds at both.

It pains us to speak of the demise of Mr. Alexander King, which occurred November 24. Mr. King was a local minister, and a highly respected christian gentleman. He had been under treatment at the Salesbury Hospital when death came. A wife and five children survive him to whom we extend our deepest sympathies.

Prof. T. R. Parker, A. M., of Morgan College, Baltimore, spent Thanksgiving with his sister, Miss Jeannette Parker, who is one of the members of the faculty of Princess Anne Academy. Prof. Parker has the chair of mathematics and science at Morgan. He and his sister are a well educated and refined couple.

We are pleased to see Mr. L. Dennis, our leading shoemaker, out again after a severe attack of rheumatism. Mr. Dennis and his son, Thomas W., do a fine business here in the shoe and tailoring business.

Mr. Wm. L. Gale, principal of the public school at Fairmount, spent Saturday and Sunday in town with his parents.

H. W. Jones & Co., our grocerymen, are doing a thriving business. It condemns all doubts that colored men can't conduct a business successfully. Mr. Jones, the manager of the firm, is a man of first-class business qualities. The company should highly congratulate itself on having such a man connected with the firm.

It was with no small degree of gratitude that the representative of The Colored American, the representative of the Philadelphia Courant, Prof. T. R. Parker, of Baltimore, Rev. H. M. Horsey, pastor of the Metropolitan M. E. Church, Princess Anne, and other gentlemen were invited to witness the rhetorical examination given by the students of the Princess Anne Academy. The students showed a careful preparation in every respect. The most enjoyable part of the exercises was the debate. Resolved, That girls are more successful students than boys. The boys put forth every effort to show it untrue, but the girls too carefully considered the subject for them.

We most highly congratulate Prof. Trigg, the principal and his faculty, on the great work they are doing for the young mind and their race. We hope our friends in Washington, D. C., who desire their boys and girls to get a thorough Industrial, Normal and Agricultural training, will patronize this worthy institution, for your children will find a pleasant home, with a most intelligent parental eye over them. They are crowding there from other sections, and we would be pleased to see our own home represented. Besides the three large commodious buildings used for students, dormitories and reception rooms and a cottage, there is a carpenter, blacksmith, tailor and shoe shop, and an up-to-date printing plant, a fine barn, in fact the finest as well as the largest in the whole state of Maryland, just completed, a new piggery and henery, and a fine farm containing about one hundred and twenty-six acres of land all under tillage. This College is situated in one of the most beautiful and healthful localities the writer has ever seen. Being newly painted they present a beautiful view from the railroad train. Everything is uniform. A standing invitation is extended to their many friends, especially on the last Friday afternoon in each month to their rhetoricals.

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PEN AND PENCIL CHAT.

Enthusiastically Greeted by Patrons of Bethel Literary and Historical Association.

A notable audience gathered in the lecture room of Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Friday evening, and every visitor was richly rewarded. Bethel Literary and Historical Association had set apart the occasion to present the Pen and Pencil Club, in a special program, and the friends of this popular organization turned out en masse. As the two previous public literary offerings had been given before the Second Baptist Lyceum, the Club's debut under the auspices of time-honored Bethel was awaited with no little interest. The program as arranged by the Board of Governors was ideal as to its arrangement, length and literary quality. President Henry P. Slaughter, one of the best known and most useful young men in the country, was placed in charge by Mr. George W. Jackson, presiding officer of the Literary. He gave a graphic recital of the objects of the Pen and Pencil Club and told of the conscientious and effectual service that was being rendered to the race throughout the land by the brilliant corps of writers located here, who supply news and opinions for papers far and wide. The majority, if not all of the correspondents and editors here, are either members of or ardent supporters of the Club. The other features of the evening were:

1.—"The Afro-American Press: Its Strength and Weakness,"

By Prof. L. M. Hershaw.

2.—"Some Humorous Phases of Our Journalism,"

By Mr. W. T. Menard.

3.—Vocal Solo, "The Vulcan's Song," (Gounod.)

By Mr. Thomas A. Johnson.

4.—"General Thomas Alexander Dumas,"

By Mr. Daniel Murray.

Each gentleman's efforts were vigorously applauded. Their merits are familiar to Washington audiences, and their contributions always evoke enthusiastic acclaim.

The officers and members of the Pen and Pencil Club are as follows:

Henry P. Slaughter, President; Daniel Murray, First Vice President; William Pollard, Second Vice President; Robert Pelham, Jr., Corresponding Secretary; James A. Cobb, Treasurer.

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HOWARD LAW CLASS OFFICERS.

At a recent meeting of the members of class 1905, Howard University Law School, the following officers were elected: Robert L. Waring, president; L. H. Goodman, vice president; J. J. Mason, secretary; S. W. Lane, assistant secretary; Roger W. Watts, treasurer; Benjamin L. Gaskins, sergeant-at-arms; Zeph. Moore, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

WILLIAMSBURG WAIFS.

Williamsburg, Va., Special—A great revival has been in progress at the Baptist Church here, and about fifty converts have renounced the devil and his works. Rev. A. W. Shields has broken all records. Brother John Cary has been elected clerk of both the church and Sunday school. Nearly are converts. Brother Cary has lived in this county and town fifty-three years.

Miss Jennie Hillman, of 141 A street northeast, has returned from Harrisburg, Pa., where she had been on a visit for several months. She is quite well, and regards her visit as having been very pleasant, a delightful visit in a charming city.

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